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MEMO ENDORSED**VIA FACSIMILE**

The Honorable P. Kevin Castel
 United States District Judge
 United States District Court for
 the Southern District of New York
 500 Pearl Street, Room 2260
 New York, New York 10007

Re: Ajaj v. MacKechnie, et al., 07 Civ. 5959 (PKC)(DCF)

Dear Judge Castel:

I write as counsel for Maranda E. Fritz, one of the defendants in the above referenced case filed by Ahmad Ajaj and to request an extension of the time within which to file motions directed to the complaint. I make this request because I was out of the office last week attending to a family emergency and was not able to complete the submission.

Based on these circumstances, I request an adjournment of one week to complete and file the motions. The Court has granted one previous request by the Government extending the time within which to answer or move to February 20, 2008. This request for an extension will not affect any of the other scheduled dates.

I have not obtained the consent of the adversary as he is a pro se plaintiff and it is difficult if not impossible to be allowed to speak with him on short notice.

Respectfully,

HINSHAW & CULBERTSON LLP to respond to all

notices and all
 defendants shall have
 until March 14

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until March 17

to file any reply. (Next
 time please address other scheduled
 dates affected by the proposed adjournment.)

SO ORDERED.

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I understand the
 family emergency last week until today.
 (However, by waiting until the next two
 all motions will not be on a unified
 schedule. One defendant Fritz and one
 defendant. There is
 no schedule for all other
 defendants. All
 defendants will
 move until
 Feb 27 to
 move
 (although
 I suspect
 some
 may have
 filed a
 motion
 today).

Judge P. Kevin Castel

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